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Cotter moved the Boughton's to Cañon City in 1959. Lynn was Cotter's Chief Chemist. I remember a day (about 1970) when he came home and disconnected the water source from our well (144) because he found it contained Cotter contamination. We continued using the well for toilet flushing a few years then he disconnected that because the contamination was getting worse. Lynn took our neighbor's concern to Cotter's attention. "To hell with them" was one of the retorts directed toward the community. Now 45 years later the EPA is still -- stewing and drawing wages I might add -- while extending -- a more genteel but similar retort.

It could have been stopped. EPA had the authority but shifted it to CDPHE. CDPHE, deeply involved with Cotter and wasn't about to hold Cotter responsible. "We are going to listen to the community" or so it is posed but they haven't for a couple of generations.

Gold King stopped operation in 1923 and now, because of an EPA fluke, is causing Colorado consternation. Don't think there is not contamination at rest under Lincoln Park. I have documents that prove it is; you have them too. Gold King flows west. This will flow east. You folks will retire on a nice pension and somebody else will have to answer for it. Generations will pass and genetic damage will pass on to future generations. Gold King is "safe enough to drink" but "don't use it for irrigation or animals." Same paragraph in a AP report. I trust you are really confident of the safety of Denver water since it has been exposed to Cotter Schwartzwalder mine waste for a couple of generations.

EPA doesn't know of anybody being harmed -- because they haven't listened. CDphE doesn't know of anybody being harmed because they have excluded Public Health as their responsibility. CDC doesn't know of anybody being harmed because they listen to somebody else: epa cdPHe. EPA once had an engineer who told me Dr. Traylor (CDH) was a man on the take. Traylor, and others, took and Cotter contamination waits to someday hit the river.

Another 'community' meeting set to explain the hours and hours and hours that has been spent in trying to figure out how to make this go away. General Atomics will explain how many \$millions they have spent in trying to find a rug big enough to sweep Cotter under as they wait for people like me to drop dead trying.

Lynn Boughton died of radiation induced NonH lymphma.